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BEGIN SUMMARY: IN RESPONSE REFERENCE A. AND FURTHER TO REFERENCE B, MISSION CAN PROVIDE APPROPRIATE LEVEL REPRESENTATION FOR NATO PORTION OF US NATIONAL PRESENTATION TO NATO DEFENSE COLLEGE (NADEFCOL) IN ROME IN APRIL 11, 1975. RECOMMEND OASD/ISA TAKE THE LEAD IN CONFIRMING DETAILS WITH COMMANDANT, NADEFCOL, KEEPING USNATO ADVISED. END SUMMARY.

1. MISSION WELCOMES OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE NADEFCOL PODIUM WITH MR. BERGOLD AND PERHAPS OTHER US REPRESENTATIVES FROM WASHINGTON. USNATO DEPUTY DEFENSE ADVISOR (BG RICHARD BOWMAN USAF) AND USNATO POLITICAL ADVISOR (MR. FRANK PEREZ) OR HIS DEPUTY ARE AVAILABLE TO MAKE THAT PART OF THE US NATIONAL PRESENTATION RELATIVE TO THE US IN THE NATO ARENA TO THE NATO DEFENSE COLLEGE IN ROME ON APRIL 11, 1975.
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2. THE US PRESENTATION TRADITIONALLY INCLUDES DISCUSSION OF US DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN POLICY WORLD-WIDE. APPROPRIATE LEVEL STATE AND DEFENSE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS MAKE THE PRESENTATION WHICH IS FOLLOWED BY A QUESTION AND

ANSWER PERIOD DURING WHICH MEMBERS OF THE COURSE ASK PROBING AND WIDE-RANGING QUESTIONS. MISSION UNDERSTANDS FROM DISCUSSION WITH NADEF COL OFFICIALS THAT MEMBERS OF CURSE 46 ARE APT TO PURSUE QUESTIONING RELATIVE TO US RELATIONSHIPS AND POLICIES VIS-A-VIS SUCH AREAS AS THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN, NATO COUNTRIES, MID-EAST, INDO-CHINA, JAPAN, CHINA AND RUSSIA. THEY ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN US RESPONSE TO THE ENERGY PROBLEM AND THE US ECONOMY AND ITS RELATION TO INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND MONETARY PROBLEM AREAS. THEY ARE CURIOUS ABOUT US LONG RANGE ATTITUDE TOWARDS NATO.

3. IN VIEW OF WIDE RANGING SCOPE OF PRESENTATION AND IN ORDER TO MEET THE HIGH EXPECTATIONS OF THE COLLEGE, MISSION RECOMMENDS WASHINGTON CONSIDER PROVIDING A TEAM OF SEVERAL SUITABLE BRIEFERS, POSSIBLY INCLUDING REPRESENTATION FROM THE U.S. MISSION TO THE ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY IN PARIS. RECOMMEND OASD/ISA TAKE THE LEAD IN COORDINATING PRESENTATION DETAILS WITH THE COMMANDANT, NADEF COL, KEEPING USNATO ADVISED AS TO HOW WE MAY BEST CONTRIBUTE IN OUR AREA OF EXPERTISE.

4. MISSION ASSUMES THAT WASHINGTON WILL FUND TRAVEL USNATO STATE PERSONNEL. BRUCE

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